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(C) CDA and A/DCM delivered reftel points to Deputy Foreign Minister Arman Kirakossian and MFA Americas Director Armen Yeganian March 25, leaving points as a non-paper. Kirakossian replied that he was unaware of any instance of South Ossetian or Abkhazian representatives, or of Russians claiming to act as a representative of one of those territories, seeking to engage with the GOAM. Post later in the day received indications that our points would likely be conveyed to the Presidency. PENNINGTON